

CLAIMS

1. A suction cleaner of the cylinder type comprising a main unit (10) including a source of suction and a dust separating/collecting means; a flexible
5 hose; a wand (17); and a cleaning head (19); wherein the main unit (10) is able to be stood on its end and there is releasable catch means (32, 34) providing for the wand (17) with cleaning head attached to be releasably connected to the main unit (10), wherein, when connected to the main unit (10), part of the wand (17) lies at least partially within a recess provided in the main
10 unit (10).
2. A cleaner according to Claim 1 wherein the wand (17), when connected to the main unit (10), is useable as a handle for lifting the main unit (10).
- 15 3. A cleaner according to Claim 1 or claim 2 wherein said recess (31) is in the underside of the main unit (10) when the main unit (10) is in its normal-use orientation.
4. A cleaner according to any one of the preceding claims wherein the
20 catch means (32, 34) comprises first inter-engaging catch formations (34) provided respectively on the main unit (10) and on the cleaning head (19) or on a wand part in the vicinity thereof, and second inter-engaging catch formations (32) provided respectively on the main unit (10) and on the wand (17) spaced from the cleaning head (19).
- 25 5. A cleaner according to Claim 4 wherein the second catch formations (32) are engageable by an upward movement of the wand (17) relative to the main unit (10), having regard to the orientation of the latter when it is stood on its end.

6. A cleaner according to Claim 5 wherein the second catch formations (32) comprise a downwardly facing recess or recesses on the main unit of the cleaner and a complementary projection or projections (38) on the wand (17),
5 engageable in the recess or recesses.

7. A cleaner according to Claim 5 or Claim 6 wherein the first catch formation (34) on the main unit (10) comprises a catch member facing upwardly to engage a complementary member or formation (27) on the wand
10 (17) or head (19), and spring biased to bias the wand (17) so as to urge the second catch formations (32) into engagement.

8. A cleaner according to any one of Claims 4 to 7 wherein the second catch formations (32) on the main body (10) are provided in association with a
15 castor assembly (15) on which the main unit (10) is movable over a floor surface.

9. A cleaner substantially as hereinbefore described with reference to and/or as shown in the accompanying drawings.

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10. Any novel feature or novel combination of features described herein and/or in the accompanying drawings.